

# Hope

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS



St. Thomas More Parish  
&  
St. Bernadette Mission

2<sup>ND</sup> OF  
DECEMBER  
2018

**First Sunday of Advent  
Coming up...**

**Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am – Mass at rectory

**Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>**

5:30pm – Mass at rectory

**Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am – Mass at rectory

**Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More church

9:30am – CWMC meeting

2:45pm – Adoration and Confessions

4:00pm – Mass at St. Thomas More church

*(For the people)*

**Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More church

*(For Olive Paquette)*

11:30am – Mass at St. Bernadette Mission, Nestleton

*(For Fr. James Macdonald)*

**Weekday Masses during inclement weather**

*During winter: if school buses for Millbrook South Cavan Elementary School are cancelled due to inclement weather, please assume that the daily Mass is also cancelled for that day. Visit [stscsco.ca](http://stscsco.ca) or tune your radio to a local station to learn of any bus cancellations.*

**Thank you for your generous offerings**

November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018: \$ 1373.00

Average for 32 received envelopes: \$ 40.00

November eGive: \$ 1106 (Weekly avg: \$ 19.85 for 13)

St. Thomas More Parish now offers

**eGive, Electronic Giving**

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**~ Regular Sunday Masses ~**

Saturday, 4pm at St. Thomas More, Millbrook

Sunday, 9am at St. Thomas More, Millbrook

& 11:30am at St. Bernadette, North Nestleton

(Old United Church, Nestleton Rd., North Nestleton)

**~ Sacrament of Reconciliation ~**

Sat 3pm - 3:40pm; Sun 8:20am - 8:45am

or by appointment.

**~ Baptisms ~**

Parents seeking baptism for their child should see the parish priest after Mass or visit

[baptism.stthomasmillbrook.ca](http://baptism.stthomasmillbrook.ca) to complete an information form and to learn more about the

Baptismal Preparation Period.

Preparation can begin before the birth of your child.

**~ Marriage ~**

Couples seeking Marriage must meet Father Craig at least one year prior to a desired date.

**~ Birthday & Anniversary Announcements ~**

Those wishing to publicly share a birthday or anniversary with the community at the end of Mass should see Phil Unger or Father Craig before Mass begins. Anyone wishing to renew their marriage vows and receive a special blessing for a significant anniversary should see Fr. Craig at least one week in advance of the anniversary.

**~ Announcements and Prayers before Mass ~**

Before the 9am Mass begins, all are welcome to use the form at the entrance of the church to include names of the sick or departed. After speaking with the priest, announcements may also be included in the same way.

**~ Womens' and Mens' Group (CWMC) ~**

The Mens' and Womens' Group support our parish with community building events, fundraising and by meeting many other parish needs. They meet every second Saturday of the month.

Please remember in your prayers...

*Those who are sick, especially:*

Erica Perk and Fr. Bart Burke

*as well as those who have died, especially:*

Olive Paquette and Angelina Lipartiti

Contact Fr. Craig to have a name added to this list  
for four weeks.

### Advent Carols

All are invited to St. Peter-In-Chains Cathedral for a traditional Service of Nine Lessons and Carols. Starting in darkness with a solo chorister singing the first verse of Once in Royal David's City, the story of the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah, and the birth of Jesus is told in nine short Bible readings, interspersed with the singing of carols and the most beautiful choral music of Advent and Christmas. Sung by Our Lady of the Wayside Catholic School Choir. Sunday Dec 9<sup>th</sup> at 3pm.

### Bells and Voices for Christmas

Wed. Dec 12<sup>th</sup>, 7pm - the Sacred Heart Girls' Schola and Choir will sing and ring handbells at Peterborough's Sacred Heart Church, 208 Romaine St. Music for Advent and Christmas will be featured, along with solos by tenor Fr Andrew Ayala. Free will offering for the choir.

### 2019 St. Joseph Dinner

Please join us for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual St. Joseph Dinner in support of Peterborough Campus Ministry. Catholic community is developing at Trent University, Sacred Heart College and Sir Sanford Fleming College, and this pastoral care needs support. The dinner will take place Sat, Feb 2, 2019 at Personal Touch Banquet Hall (1135 Lansdowne St.). Cocktail hour at 5:30, Dinner at 6:30. Our guest speaker is National Post columnist Fr. Raymond De Souza. Tickets are \$100 each and are eligible for a \$50 charitable tax receipt. They can be purchased online at [www.ptbovocations.ca/dinner](http://www.ptbovocations.ca/dinner) or by calling 705-874-1871. An excellent Christmas gift!

### Sacred Heart College

On-Line or in person (Toronto) Theology of the Body Certificate with Sr. Helena Burns, fsp. Questions? [office@sacredheartcollege.com](mailto:office@sacredheartcollege.com). Registration link: [www.sacredheartcollege.ca/en/programs-and-courses/theology-of-the-body-certificate-with-sr-helena-burns.aspx](http://www.sacredheartcollege.ca/en/programs-and-courses/theology-of-the-body-certificate-with-sr-helena-burns.aspx)

### Advent Reconciliation Service

Prepare yourself for the coming of Our Lord: come to the Advent Reconciliation Service on Dec 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. After a short prayer and examination of conscience, Fr. Craig and a guest priest will be available to hear confessions.  
*Blessed are the pure of heart for they shall see God.*

### Offertory Envelopes

Boxes of 2019 offertory envelopes are now available at the entrance of the church. Please pick up yours as soon as possible. Boxes will be available until Jan 13<sup>th</sup>.

### Sunday Missals

The 2019 Sunday Missals are now available. Get yours for \$5 at the entrance of the church. Old Sunday Missals, since they have not been blessed, can be placed in your recycling bin; no need to return them to the church.

### Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Immaculate Conception Parish is celebrating their feast day on Saturday, Dec 8<sup>th</sup>. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be from 9am to 4pm. For the full schedule and list of confessors, see the blue posters at the entrance of the church or call 705-742-5466. All are welcome to attend, especially those names after St. Anne and the Virgin Mary.

### Ladies Interdenominational Christmas Luncheon

All the ladies of the parish are invited to attend the Millbrook Interdenominational Christmas Luncheon. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year for the Luncheon and is hosted at Baxter Creek Golf Course on Friday December 14<sup>th</sup> at 12pm (doors open at 11:30). The menu includes the choice of two entrees: Cranberry/Brie Chicken or Salmon Fillet. Both meals come with Garlic & Herb Roasted Potatoes, Rolls and butter, Coffee/Tea and a delicious dessert. Price including tax and gratuities is \$28. Please sign the sheet at the entrance of the Church if you would like to attend. Your choice of entree and \$28 is required no later than December 5<sup>th</sup>. Payment can be delivered to Jeanne Moran 705-932-3273

### Catholic Civil Rights League (CCRL)

Guest speaker filmmaker Kevin Dunn (The Euthanasia Deception) will be attending the CCRL general meeting on Wednesday Dec 12<sup>th</sup>, Mass at 6:30 pm, St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (Crypt Chapel), Toronto. RSVP at [cctl@cctl.ca](mailto:cctl@cctl.ca) or by calling (416) 466-8244.

### Christmas and New Year's Liturgies at our parish

To help plan ahead, here is the schedule for Christmas and New Year's Liturgies at St. Thomas More Parish:

Dec 24<sup>th</sup> 4pm at St. Thomas More church ☞  
7pm at St. Bernadette mission

Dec 25<sup>th</sup> 10am at St. Thomas More church

Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 4pm at St. Thomas More church ☞  
7pm at St. Bernadette mission

Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 10am at St. Thomas More church

### Retreats at Villa St. Joseph, Cobourg

See the poster in the entrance of the church to learn details about some upcoming retreats.